

Application No.: 10/578,790  
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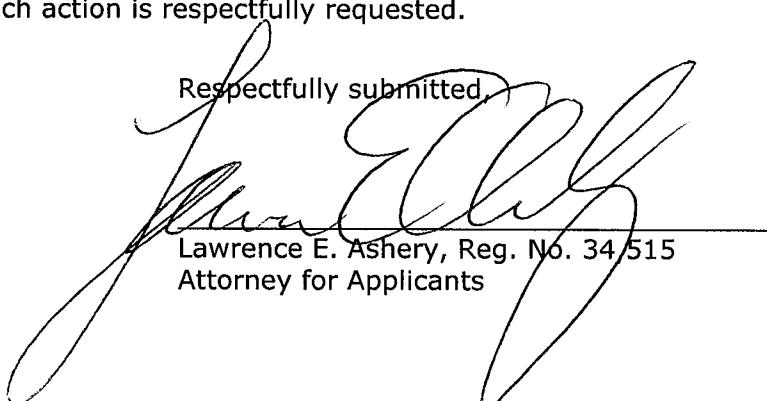
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**Remarks/Arguments:**

Claims 1-4, 7 and 9 have been rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over admitted prior art. Claims 5, 6 and 8, however, were indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, the features of claim 5 have been incorporated into claims 1 and 9. Claims 4, 5 and 7 have been cancelled. Claim 6 has been amended to depend from claim 1. The language of originally filed claim 1 has been incorporated into claim 8. Claims 10 and 11, with language similar to that included in claims 2 and 3 respectively, has been added.

In view of the amendments set forth above, the above identified application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested.

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